# **University of Saint Joseph Athletic Field Renovations**

West Hartford, Connecticut

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Special Use Permit (#1336) - RESUBMISSION

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### PERMIT APPLICATION FOR: (check one of the following)

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| Lot Line Revis  | ions          | Subdivis            | ion                            | Building Line         |                 |
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| Street Address of   | Proposed A    | pplication:         |                                |                       |                 |
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| Application Fee:  |               | _ Surcharge Fo      | ee: Af                         | fidavit Fee:          |                 |
| Applicant's Inter-  | est in Propei | ty: Owner           |                                |                       |                 |
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| <b>Brief Description</b>  | of Proposed   | Activity: Re        | moval of existing run          | ning track and natu   | ral grass field |
| and construc  | tion of a nev | w synthetic turf i  | n its place. Constru           | ction of new athletic | light poles.    |
| University of Saint Joseph Record Owner's Name 1678 Asylum Avenue |               |                     | Same as owner Applicant's Name |                       |                 |
| Street  |               |                     | Street                         |                       |                 |
| West Hartford   | СТ            | 06117               |                                |                       |                 |
| City  | State         | Zip                 | City                           | State                 | Zip             |
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# University of Saint Joseph – Athletic Field Renovations Special Use Permit (#1336) – RESUBMISSION (03.28.19) Exhibit A – Site Narrative

### A. Project Summary

The University of Saint Joseph seeks approval from the Town of West Hartford for the construction of a new multi-sport synthetic turf field and upgraded field lighting. Athletics are an integral component of student life at Saint Joseph's, and the University is looking to enhance and upgrade its current amenities. The proposed project development area is located at the northwest end of campus, within the footprint of the existing track and field. The track and natural grass field are in poor condition, and the University intends to remove these amentities and replace them with one new, lighted, multi-purpose synthetic turf field to support the University's field hockey, soccer, and lacrosse programs.

The construction of the new synthetic turf field will occur entirely within previously disturbed areas. There will be no impact to surrounding trees, vegetation, or parking areas, and there will be no significant changes to actual land uses on the site. The following narrative highlights the existing site conditions, the proposed improvements, and the measures that will be taken in order to control stormwater, erosion, and sedimentation.

### **B. Existing Site Conditions**

### **Property Information**

Address: 1678 Asylum Ave, New Haven, CT

Parcel ID: 0181 2 1678 0001

Lot Area: 88.48 acres

Development Area: 3.1 acres

Zone: R-10

Map No: G6



Project Development Area – Aerial Context

### Context

The University of Saint Joseph is located at 1678 Asylum Avenue in West Harford, CT and is bounded by Albany Avenue to the north, Steele Road to the east, and Trout Brook Drive to the west. The project development area is located at the northwest end of the campus, due west of the O'Connell Athletic Center. Six (6) existing tennis courts are located to the north of the development area, an asphalt walkway lines the eastern edge, and parking areas are located to the south. The development area currently consists of a 400-meter synthetic surfaced running track, and a natural grass multi-sport athletic field.

### **Topography**

The existing natural grass field is crowned with a one and a half to two (1.5-2.0) percent pitch, draining east and west towards the track (center of field elevation: 105.75). To the north of the track and field, the topography slopes upwards approximately six (6) feet to the tennis courts (elevation: 112.00). To the east of the track and field the grade pitches down into a swale and then upwards three feet to an asphalt walkway/access drive (elevation: 106.00). To the south and west, the topography slopes down approximately three to four feet into the woodlands and wetland pockets (elevation 100.00).

### Vegetation

On site vegetation consists of a relatively dense broadleaf stand of trees on the west side of the project development area. Trees mainly consist of White Oak (Quercus alba), Red Oak (Quercus rubra), Red Maple (Acer rubrum), White Pine (Pinus strobus), and Eastern Redcedar (Juniperus virginiana). This stand of vegetation provides an excellent buffer between the project development area and the abutting properties to the west. There is a limited amount of vegetation to the north, east, and west.

### **C. Proposed Construction Activities**

### **Synthetic Field Construction**

The main component of the project is the construction of a new synthetic turf field. This new field will provide the University with a level/consistent playing surface, greater flexibility for the athletic department, and less maintenance for the facilities department.

Prior to the construction of the new field, the existing track surfacing and asphalt pavement will be demolished and removed from the site, except for the southern end ('D-Zone'). This will remain in place to act as staging and laydown area for construction operations. The existing track and field base and subbase material will be removed and repositioned as a subbase material under the proposed field stone drainage material. The proposed synthetic turf field area will be stripped of all topsoil, graded to subgrade elevations, and covered with geotextile fabric. Perimeter collector pipes and drainage infrastructure will be installed in conjunction with a 12" section of compacted 'dynamic stone'. Total depth of field improvements will be 18" in conformance with geotechnical engineer recommendations. The synthetic turf and infill material will be installed on approved stone bases, completing the field construction sequence. See Sheet CL501 for specific details.

The proposed construction techniques will require the use of excavators, front end loaders, trucks, bulldozers and compactors for excavation/ fill placement on the site. No rock is expected to be encountered based on the geotechnical report. Erosion and sediment control requirements are included in the contract documents and meet state and local regulations.

### **Athletic Field Lighting**

The six (6) existing athletic field lights will be removed and replaced with four (4) LED athletic field lights. The six existing light poles are approximately sixty (60) feet in height. The four proposed light poles will be seventy (70) feet in height in order to provide the NCAA minimum lighting standard. The height of the LED light fixtures provides increased capability to control off-field light spill and glare. The use of field lights for games shall end by 9:30pm on Friday and Saturday, and shall end by 8:30pm on Sunday through Thursday. Use of the lights for practices will end by 8:30pm and field lights will not be used for practices on Sundays. Please refer to Exhibit B in the Special Use Permit application package for additional information.

### **Electrical Improvements**

In addition to the athletic field lighting, electrical improvements to the facility will include relocating the existing scoreboard (to provide better sightlines for spectators), and providing power to selected locations around the perimeter of the new field for scoring, timing, and streaming. The existing public address system will remain in place, and will only be used during games.

### **Drainage Improvements**

The major adjustment to the existing drainage system is installation of the stone base section installed underneath the synthetic turf field. The structures and piping within the natural grass playing field will be removed. The proposed field drainage is collected with a series of underdrain piping and conveyed to the existing 36" diameter storm drain pipe via collector pipes on the east and west sides of the field. The 36" diameter storm drain pipe flows to the southwest, away from the project site. The pipe discharges into a wetland area located on the University campus.

In addition, a stormwater management storm-filter system will be installed to further address any issues related to zinc or other potential contaminants. The storm-filter is an underground treatment device that traps particulates and absorbs pollutants from stormwater runoff. Per the conclusions noted in the July, 2010 Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection final report "Artificial Turf Study – Leachate and Stormwater Characteristics", the DEP suggests that use of stormwater treatment measures, such as stormwater treatment wetlands, wet ponds, infiltration structures, compost filters, sand filters, and biofiltration structures may reduce the concentrations of zinc in the stormwater runoff from artificial fields to levels below the acute aquatic toxicity criteria. This report was re-affirmed in 2015.

Several of the existing yard drains will be replaced and new connections will be made to the turf drainage system. These structures will still convey the runoff from the north and west wetlands to the southern portion of the project site.

The Town of West Hartford Engineering Department has stated that the existing detention areas are in need of maintenance to ensure they function as originally designed. The University will conduct maintenance operations on the existing detention areas prior to the start of construction. Maintenance will include the removal of sediment accumulations, removal of invasive and undesirable vegetation growth, and the removal of any other debris or deleterious material.

### Landscaping

The project development area is currently surrounded by mature trees and vegetation which will remain. All disturbed areas will be seeded or sodded. No additional landscaping improvements are proposed.

### **D. Neighborhood Outreach**

A neighborhood outreach meeting was conducted on February 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm at the University of Saint Joseph. The intent of the meeting is to inform all abutters about the project, and provide information on the proposed field lighting system. There were no attendees from the community at the meeting. Please refer to Exhibit C in the Special Use Permit application package.

### **E. Soil Erosion & Sediment Control**

All site work will be constructed using best management practices in accordance with the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations of the Town of West Hartford, the 2002 Connecticut Guidelines for Soil Erosion and Sediment Control, and the 2004 Connecticut Stormwater Quality Manual.

To minimize the potential for pollution caused by soil erosion and sedimentation during and after construction, all site construction and inspection and post construction site maintenance will be guided by the provisions of the Sediment and Erosion Control Plan and specifications. The plan provides for construction controls to be implemented to prevent disturbance of wetland areas and the transportation of silt to the wetland as a result of construction activity.

Temporary controls will be implemented in accordance with the Connecticut Soil and Erosion Control Manual, including; dewatering filtration, silt sacks, silt fencing, and hay bales. Prior to permanent stabilization of the site, temporary controls upstream of connections to the outfall will be maintained to prevent siltation into the stormwater system. These controls include storm drainage inlet protection and silt fencing. Erosion and sediment control devices will be installed around any dewatering activity areas.

# **University of Saint Joseph – Athletic Field Renovations** Special Use Permit (#1336) – RESUBMISSION (03.28.19) **Exhibit B – Field Lighting Use Policy & Athletic Light Fixture Information**

### **Use of University of Saint Joseph Field with Lights**

For concerns or complaints – contact USJ Athletics: 860-231-5419 or Dept. of Public Safety 860-231-5222

### Restrictions on Sound (For Use of Field When Lights On):

- No loud music will be played through a sound system, in connection with games, practices
  or other activities.
- Only those horns and whistles required by game officials will be permitted. Spectators will
  not be permitted to use horns, whistles, bullhorns, or any other type of device that uses
  batteries, compressed air or some mechanism to produce noise.
- The public address system will not be used for practices.

### **Restrictions on Lighting (University Athletics):**

- The use of field lights for games shall end by 9:30 PM on Friday and Saturday and shall end by 8:30 PM Sunday through Thursday. The University may permit an extension of this time for an NCAA playoff game, an overtime game or a game that extends for other unforeseen reasons beyond the noted time frame.
- Use of the lights for practices shall end by 8:30 PM.
- Field lights will not be used for practices on Sundays.

### **Restrictions on Lighting (Other Sporting Activities):**

- The field lights may not be used for any event other than a University authorized sporting event.
- Use of the lights for non-game activities shall end by 8:30 PM.

### Installation Instructions: Light-Structure Green™ Lighting System

### **Precast Concrete Base**

### **Overview**

The precast concrete base is set directly into the ground, backfilled with concrete, and allowed to cure for 12 to 24 hours. The base is designed for easy slip-fit connection to the galvanized steel pole. The remaining components — steel pole, poletop luminaire assembly, electrical components enclosure, and wire harness —are assembled as a unit and set onto the base. The base includes an integrated lightning ground system.

### **Tools/Materials Needed**

Musco Supplied

- ☐ Field Aiming Diagram
- Musco Foundation and Pole Assembly Drawing or alternate foundation design
- Steel bar
- Wooden base wedges
- ☐ Level with shim for tapered base
- ☐ 5/32 inch hex key

### **Installation Procedure**



Verify pole ID on concrete base matches pole location on *Field Aiming Diagram*.



For options on poor soil conditions, alternative installation methods, or if there are any issues with pole locations given, contact your local Musco representative. Your project engineer's name appears on *Field Aiming Diagram*.

Note: Use only project-specific foundation designs as detailed on Musco Foundation and Pole Assembly Drawing or alternate foundation design plan.

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Mark pole locations per Field Aiming Diagram.

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Excavate holes to size and depth given on Musco Foundation and Pole Assembly Drawing or alternate foundation design.

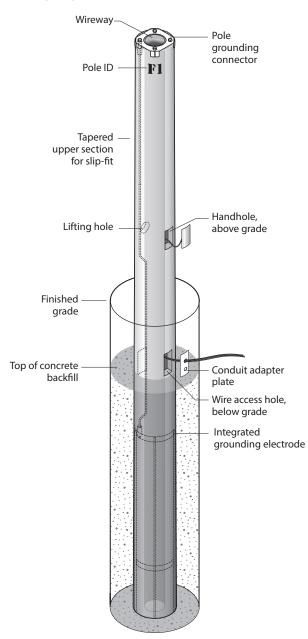


Warning Fall hazard

Cover holes or install fencing for fall safety.

**Contractor Supplied** 

- Conduit for underground wiring
- □ Concrete backfill
- Water pump (as needed)

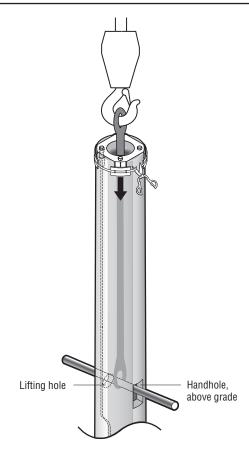




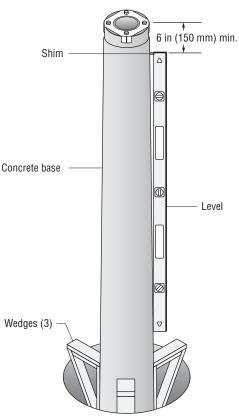
### Installation Instructions: Light-Structure Green™ Lighting System

### **Precast Concrete Base**

Sling and lower base into hole. Orient wire access hole to accommodate incoming supply wiring. Snip banding and remove tab protectors.



- Plumb base and wedge into position. Use supplied level with shim on upper end against base. Shim accommodates taper of base. Top of base is beveled. Keep level at least 6 in (150 mm) from top when plumbing.
- Remove any water from hole to avoid weakening foundation. Water in hole during concrete pour can also cause hollow center of base to fill with concrete.
- If backfilling to finished grade with concrete instead of compacted fill, be sure to maintain wire access.
- Backfill with concrete per Musco Foundation and Pole Assembly Drawing or alternate foundation design.



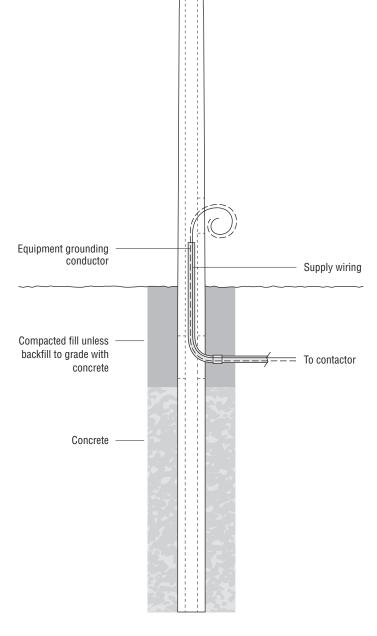


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### Installation Instructions: Light-Structure Green™ Lighting System

### **Precast Concrete Base**

- Have your electrician install all underground conduit and wiring, including equipment grounding conductor. Route wires up through base to handhole. Conduit adapter plates with knockouts are provided. You may also install wiring after standing pole.
- Backfill with compacted soil to finished grade unless alternate foundation design requires concrete to finished grade.





Poletop luminaire assembly Wire harness (inside pole) Galvanized steel pole Electrical components enclosure 10 ft (3 m) 2 ft (0.6 m) Q Ground level Precast concrete base Not to scale
Not to scale
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# University of Saint Joseph – Athletic Field Renovations Special Use Permit (#1336) – RESUBMISSION (03.28.19) Exhibit C – Neighborhood Outreach Information

March 22, 2019

Mr. Todd Dumais Town Planner Town of West Hartford 50 South Main Street, Room 214 West Hartford, CT 06107

Dear Mr. Dumais,

I am writing to describe the efforts undertaken by the University of Saint Joseph to keep our immediate neighbors informed of our construction plans.

On February 21, 2019, we distributed a letter with attachment (see Attachment A) to a list of addresses for neighbors within 300 feet of the campus (see Attachment B) showing the project parameters to inform them of our plans and invite them to an informational meeting on campus on February 28, 2019. I also provided my contact information so that they could contact me directly with any questions.

On February 28, we held the meeting for neighbors from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m., but none of our neighbors attended. The minutes are Attachment C.

On March 10, we received an email from one of our neighbors, Mr. Thomas Mullaney. The email correspondence and the University's response dated March 15 together with a further reply from Mr. Mullaney dated March 18 is included as Attachment D.

On March 12, we received an email from another one of our neighbors, Mr. Allen Rost. The email and the University's response dated March 15 is included as Attachment E.

Additionally, signs noting the pending zoning hearing have been posted on our property.

Should you need any additional information about our efforts, please feel free to contact me at 860-231-5220 or via email at <a href="mailto:sharrington@usj.edu">sharrington@usj.edu</a>.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Shawn M. Harrington

Senior Vice President for Finance and Strategy

**Enclosures** 

February 21, 2019

Dear Neighbor:

Re: Informational Meeting at USJ scheduled on Thursday, February 28, 2019 from 7-8 PM

I am writing to let you know about the next steps that we are undertaking to expand the athletic facilities and renovate the existing student center at the University of Saint Joseph (USJ), in support of the University's coeducational program offerings.

The University of Saint Joseph is seeking approval from the Town of West Hartford for the construction of a new multi-sport synthetic turf field and upgraded field lighting. Athletics are an integral component of student life at USJ, and the University wants to enhance and upgrade its current amenities. The proposed project development area is located at the northwest end of campus, within the footprint of the existing track and field. The track and natural grass field are in poor condition, and the University intends to replace them with one new, lighted, multi-purpose synthetic turf field. The construction of the new synthetic turf field will occur entirely within previously-disturbed areas. There will be no new impacts to surrounding trees, vegetation, or parking areas, and there will be no significant changes to actual land uses on the site. No additional parking is proposed as part of this project.

We are planning to install the synthetic turf field and upgraded field lighting in late spring 2019 with an estimated completion date of July 1, 2019. The Town Plan and Zoning Commission is scheduled to hold public hearings on our proposal on April 1, 2019.

Planning is also currently underway for design and construction of an addition to the O'Connell Athletic Center. In the near future, we will be updating neighbors on our plans to present this project to the Town Plan and Zoning and Inland Wetland Commissions.

In addition to the work planned to upgrade and expand the University's athletic facilities, renovations to the McGovern Student Center are scheduled to begin in May 2019. The proposed improvements will not include significant changes to the building footprint, or disturbance of Inland Wetland Review areas.

As we begin our work with the Town of West Hartford, we want to keep our neighbors informed of our plans. For this reason, I am inviting you to an informational meeting on Thursday, February 28, from 7-8 p.m. in the Coleman Lobby of the Bruyette Athenaeum on USJ's West Hartford campus at 1678 Asylum Avenue, to answer any questions you may have about the plans for the expanded athletic facilities and renovations to the student center. We hope that you will be able to stop by at that time.

If you are unable to attend this meeting but would like more information about our plans, please contact me by phone at 860.231.5220 or by email at <a href="mailto:sharrington@usj.edu">sharrington@usj.edu</a>.

Thank you for your continued interest in, and support of, the University of Saint Joseph.

Sincerely

Shawn M. Harrington

Senior Vice President for Finance and Strategy

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Project Narrative February 19, 2019



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Project Development Area - Aerial Context

The main component of the project is the construction of a new synthetic turf field. Overall dimensions of this field are 269' x 394', providing the University with an improved playing surface to support its lacrosse, soccer, and field hockey programs. Ball safety netting (12' height) is proposed at both north and south ends of the field.

The six (6) existing athletic field lights will be removed and replaced with four (4) LED athletic field lights. The six existing light poles are approximately 35' in height. The four proposed light poles will be eighty (80) feet in

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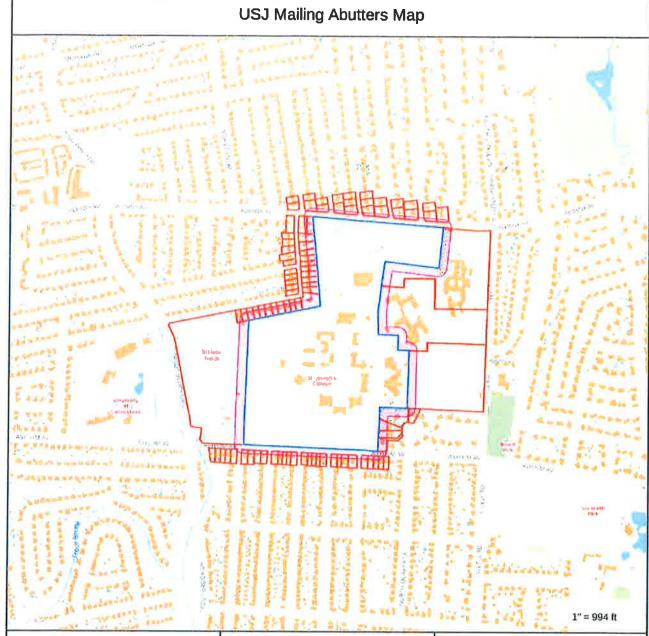
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Drainage design will maintain current drainage patterns. The synthetic turf field will drain vertically through the stone base material and be collected in a series of flat underdrain panels. Panel discharge will be collected and routed to the existing 36" drainage system that exits the project site to the southwest.

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### **Property Information**

Property iD 0181 2 1878 0001 Location 1678 ASYLUM AVENUE UNIVERSITY OF SAINT JOSEPH



### MAP FOR REFERENCE ONLY NOT A LEGAL DOCUMENT

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| 6 NORWOOD ROAD                        | 15 BUCKINGHAM LANE                     | 1735 ASYLUM AVENUE               |  |
| WEST HARTFORD, CT 0G117               | WEST HARTFORD, CT 06117                | WEST HARTFORD, CT 06117          |  |
| DELANEY THOMAS P III + BAER KRISTEN N | MASSE JANE TR                          | SPEERS JUSTIN + ESPOSITO NICOLE  |  |
| or Current Property Owner             | or Current Property Owner              | or Current Property Owner        |  |
| 30 WILTSHIRE LANE                     | 1703 ASYLUM AVENUE                     | 1681 ASYLUM AVENUE               |  |
| WEST HARTFORD, CT 06117               | WEST HARTFORD, CT 06117                | WEST HARTFORD, CT 06117          |  |
| HEGARTY JOHN M + MARITZA VELASQUEZ    | WOODS CORBIN TAYLOE BEALE PIERSON +    | MIELNICZUK MARY ANN              |  |
| or Current Property Owner             | STEP                                   | or Current Property Owner        |  |
| 23 LAWLER ROAD                        | or Current Property Owner              | 1729 ASYLUM AVENUE               |  |
| WEST HARTFORD, CT 06117               | 31 LAWLER RD W HARTFORD, CT 06117      | WEST HARTFORD, CT 06107          |  |
| MCGURK ERIN K                         | GILBEAUX JOHN C + KATHLEEN M KINDLE    | PASTFRNACK KFVIN I + KATHI FFN A |  |
| or Current Property Owner             | or Current Property Owner              | or Current Property Owner        |  |
| 1741 ASYLUM AVENUE                    | 1749 ASYLUM AVENUE                     | 11 BRAINARD ROAD                 |  |
| WEST HARTFORD, CT 06117               | W HARTFORD, CT 06117                   | WEST HARTFORD, CT 06117          |  |
| GERSHON ABNER S + JULIE S             | BACHAND CAROLINE J                     | MURRAY WILLIAM                   |  |
| or Current Property Owner             | or Current Property Owner              | or Current Property Owner        |  |
| 19 BUCKINGHAM LANE                    | 1675 ASYLUM AVENUE                     | 1693 ASYLUM AVENUE               |  |
| WEST HARTFORD, CT 06119               | WEST HARTFORD, CT 06117                | W HARTFORD, CT 06117             |  |
| DOHERTY ROBERT F                      | DELEO DONALD                           | LYNCH MICHAEL WILLIAM + ELEANA P |  |
| or Current Property Owner             | or Current Property Owner              | or Current Property Owner        |  |
| 2200 ALBANY AVENUE                    | 2185 ALBANY AVENUE                     | 6 MIAMIS ROAD                    |  |
| WEST HARTFORD, CT 06117               | WEST HARTFORD, CT 06117                | W HARTFORD, CT 06117             |  |
| KRAWCZYK BARTLOMIEJ + JENNY           | WHALEN SYLVIA S                        | TOWN OF WEST HARTFORD            |  |
| or Current Property Owner             | or Current Property Owner              | or Current Property Owner        |  |
| 3 BRAINARD ROAD                       | 1715 ASYLUM AVENUE                     | 50 SOUTH MAIN STREET             |  |
| W HARTFORD, CT 06117                  | WEST HARTFORD, CT 06117                | WEST HARTFORD, CT 06117          |  |
| KHAN QAISER A + SHARON E              | HAMILTON CORNELIA W TR                 | HANSEN SUSAN FORBES              |  |
| or Current Property Owner             | or Current Property Owner              | or Current Property Owner        |  |
| 11 WILTSHIRE LANE                     | 2205 ALBANY AVENUE                     | 36 WILTSHIRE LANE                |  |
| WEST HARTFORD, CT 06117               | WEST HARTFORD, CT 06117                | WEST HARTFORD, CT 06106          |  |

HENEGHAN MICHAEL RYAN + KARLI V or Current Property Owner 7 PILGRIM ROAD

WEST HARTFORD, CT 06117

PELLETIER, DIANE PELLETIER, RONALD or Current Property Owner 17 LAWLER ROAD

WEST HARTFORD, CT 06117

MCAULEY CENTER INCORPORATED C/O FINANCE DEPARTMENT or Current Property Owner 275 STEELE ROAD

WEST HARTFORD, CT 06117

RUEL JAMES M + ABIAH B or Current Property Owner 28 BUCKINGHAM LANE

WEST HARTFORD, CT 06117

FARRAH REBECCA + HOAGLAND DANIEL or Current Property Owner 26 WILTSHIRE LANE

WEST HARTFORD, CT 06117

FINTECH VILLAGE LLC or Current Property Owner 55 BROADWAY 19TH FLOOR

NEW YORK, NY 10007

KURSMAN ANDREW 5 + DEBORAH L or Current Property Owner 3 NORWOOD ROAD

WEST HARTFORD, CT 06117

POLATE NIZHI + POLATE AVRAHAM or Current Property Owner 17 BEN-GURYON STREET

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PEDERSEN JAMES L L/U + SUSAN V L/U ET A or Current Property Owner 1745 ASYLUM AVENUE

W HARTFORD, CT 06117

YEARWOOD RODNEY D + MONICA J or Current Property Owner 7 BRAINARD ROAD

WEST HARTFORD, CT 06117

HAROVAS JOAN or Current Property Owner 407 AUBURN ROAD

W HARTFORD, CT 06119

LINDAUER ROBERT H JR + PETTIJOHN BARBARA ANN or Current Property Owner 9 LAWLER ROAD

WEST HARTFORD, CT 06117

OKEEFE JAMES P + EDWARD C FAITELLA or Current Property Owner 264 GRISWOLD DRÍVE

WEST HARTFORD, CT 06107

GREEN MARGARET E or Current Property Owner 10 WILTSHIRE LANÉ

WEST HARTFORD, CT 06117

**ELITE HOUSING LLC** or Current Property Owner 115 PROSPECT STREET

WATERBURY, CT 06702

WILLEN SARAH S + WOGENSTEIN SEBASTIAN or Current Property Owner 4 PILGRIM ROAD

WEST HARTFORD, CT 06117

**ROST ALLEN V + LUCY A** or Current Property Owner 24 WILTSHIRE LANÉ

WEST HARTFORD, CT 06117

BITTON ANDRE + TUNITSKY-BITTON ELENA or Current Property Owner

**8 SEQUIN ROAD** 

WEST HARTFORD, CT 06117

BYRNE RENA + STEPHEN or Current Property Owner 25 LAWLER ROAD

WEST HARTFORD, CT 06117

WITHERS TONG RAYMOND K + MEGHAN P or Current Property Owner

ARONSON JILLIAN S + FELDMAN JOSHUA R

3 LAWLER ROAD

WEST HARTFORD, CT 06117

or Current Property Owner

WEST HARTFORD, CT 06107

10 BRAINARD ROAD

MURRAY LORI K + MURRAY LORI K TR or Current Property Owner 7 SEQUIN ROAD

WEST HARTFORD, CT 06117

UNIVERSITY OF SAINT JOSEPH or Current Property Owner ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE 1687 ASYLUM AVENU WEST HARTFORD, CT 06117

SALERNO EDWARD + MARY or Current Property Owner 1699 ASYLUM AVENUE

WEST HARTFORD, CT 06117

LONG GEORGE or Current Property Owner 2 WILLIAM CIRCLE

STRATHAM, NH 03885

CHANG ERIC + ELISE Z or Current Property Owner 11 BUCKINGHAM LANE

WEST HARTFORD, CT 06117

**GELB SALLY** or Current Property Owner 3 SEOUIN ROAD

WEST HARTFORD, CT 06117

TORINO CHRISTOPHER J + TARA M or Current Property Owner 17 WILTSHIRE LANÉ

WEST HARTFORD, CT 06117

CRAIG ALISA or Current Property Owner 15 WILTSHIRE LANÉ

WEST HARTFORD, CT 06117

ST MARYS HOME INCORPORATED or Current Property Owner 2021 ALBANY AVENUE

W HARTFORD, CT 06117

**QUESNEL STEPHEN** or Current Property Owner 40 WILTSHIRE LANÉ

WEST HARTFORD, CT 06117

**DOLLINGER JAY** or Current Property Owner 3 PILGRIM ROAD

WEST HARTFORD, CT 06107

TUCKER JOSEPH W or Current Property Owner

1691 ASYLUM AVENUE

WEST HARTFORD, CT 06117

JAY MARCIAL REMUDARO + AMANDA or Current Property Owner 5 COLONY ROAD

WEST HARTFORD, CT 06117

MACKO MICHELLE or Current Property Owner 1747 ASYLUM AVENUE

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6 EXECUTIVE DRIVE STE 100 FARMINGTON, CT 06032



# Neighborhood Meeting on Construction Plans Minutes February 28, 2019

### In Attendance:

University of Saint Joseph: Rhona Free, President; Shawn Harrington, Senior Vice
 President for Finance and Strategy; Andrew Levesque, Director of Facilities.
 SMRT, Architects and Engineers: Richard Webb, Senior Principal and John McMeeking, Landscape Engineer

### Meeting summary:

a) An informational meeting was scheduled for neighbors who had questions about the upcoming construction projects at the University of Saint Joseph.

The meeting was scheduled to begin at 7:00 p.m.

The room held renderings of the new construction and information materials about the turf field and lighting. University staff and the civil engineers were prepared to discuss the project, answer any questions, and address concerns from residents in the neighborhood. Neighbors (those within 300 feet of the University had been invited via an informational letter sent on February 21, 2019).

No neighbors attended the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

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Respectfully submitted,

Shawn M. Harrington Recording Secretary

### Harrington, Shawn

From:

Thomas Mullaney <tmullaney@mkwinc.com>

Sent:

Monday, March 18, 2019 9:04 AM

To:

Harrington, Shawn

Cc:

Kealey, Barbara; Foxman, Ruth

Subject:

RE: NEW SPORTS FIELD and LIGHTING

If I had been in town I would have attended the meeting.

I assume that the new lights will be more powerful than the old ones which is a concern that no protocol can diminish. Time will tell how much the new facility will diminish my quiet enjoyment of my home. The university's track record in keeping its promise to my wife about planting trees along the Albany Avenue boundary is not encouraging.

Thomas F. Mullaney, Jr. 8 Pilgrim Road

From: Harrington, Shawn [mailto:sharrington@usj.edu]

Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 5:22 PM

To: Thomas Mullaney <tmullaney@mkwinc.com>

Cc: Kealey, Barbara <br/>bkealey@usj.edu>; Foxman, Ruth <rfoxman@usj.edu>

Subject: RE: NEW SPORTS FIELD and LIGHTING

Dear Mr. Mullaney,

Thank you for your response to our neighborhood outreach letter of February 21, 2019 regarding plans by the University to expand its' athletic facilities and provide renovations to the existing student center. We appreciate that you may have concerns regarding potential increase in activity on the campus from the planned renovations but we hope to put you at ease.

I am sorry we did not have an opportunity to discuss your concerns with you in person at the informational meeting held on our campus on Thursday, February 28, 2019. University officials and project team members were prepared to explore more fully the plan details including the Universities proposed policy governing sound and lighting for athletic field use. We modeled the policy on the use protocols employed by the Town of West Hartford with regard to the lit football fields at Conard and Hall high schools.

You can be assured that the University will adhere to a protocol for night-time field use that is intended to minimize any disruption to the neighborhood. I note that the field and track where the new lights are being installed is currently illuminated by 60' high lights that remain lit until at a minimum of 10 pm to accommodate games, practices and public use. We will turn the new lights off by 9:30 pm at the latest, unless a game goes into overtime or is otherwise extended for an unexpected reason.

As for the potential for causing parking overflow onto your street, we are confident that the new lighting proposed for the athletic field will have no negative impact in that regard. Lighting currently exists for the track and field. While there may be more games played on the field now that we have both women's and men's teams, the parking for any game is currently accommodated on campus. There is no reason to believe

that the improved lighting will change that given all the available parking on campus, particularly as games are usually played after school hours

I would be happy to discuss this with you in more detail, or answer any additional questions or concerns, either by telephone or by a meeting on campus at your convenience. Please don't hesitate to contact me directly at 860-231-5220.

Kind Regards.

Shawn M. Harrington
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From: Thomas Mullaney <tmullaney@mkwinc.com>

Sent: Sunday, March 10, 2019 12:20 PM

To: Harrington, Shawn < <a href="mailto:sharrington@usj.edu">subject: NEW SPORTS FIELD and LIGHTING</a>

I am concerned that events will be held well into the night with your proposed new lights. This may also cause attendees parking on my street. Can you assure me the SJU will follow a strict policy of limiting night events?

Thomas F. Mullaney, Jr. 8 Pilgrim Road

### Harrington, Shawn

From:

Harrington, Shawn

Sent:

Friday, March 15, 2019 5:15 PM

To:

'Allen Rost'

Cc:

Kealey, Barbara; Foxman, Ruth

Subject:

**RE: USJ Expanded Athletic Facilities** 

Dear Mr. Rost,

Thank you for your response to our neighborhood outreach letter of February 21, 2019 regarding plans by the University to expand its' athletic facilities and provide renovations to the existing student center. We appreciate that you may have concerns regarding potential increase in activity on the campus from the planned renovations but we hope to put you at ease.

I am sorry we did not have an opportunity to discuss your concerns about the new field with you in person at the informational meeting we held on our campus on February 28, 2019. University officials and project team members were prepared to explore more fully the plan details including the Universities proposed policy governing sound and lighting for the athletic field use. We modeled our policy on the use protocols employed by the Town of West Hartford with regard to the lit football fields at Conard and Hall high schools.

You can be assured that the University will adhere to a protocol for night-time field use that is intended to minimize any disruption to the neighborhood. I note that the field and track where the new lights are being installed is currently illuminated by 60' high lights that remain lit until at least 10 pm every night to accommodate games, practices and public use. We had incorrectly noted in our application that the existing lights are only 35' high. While the light illuminating the field will now be brighter to meet the minimum NCAA college athletic requirements, the area of illumination will not extend beyond the campus. There may be more games after dark going forward given that we now have men and women sporting events. However, we will turn the new lights off by 9:30 pm at the latest, a potential benefit for you, unless a game goes into overtime or is otherwise extended for an unexpected reason. Further, there is no sound system proposed as part of our athletic field upgrade.

As for the potential for additional traffic in your backyard, we are confident that the new lighting proposed for the athletic field will have minimal impact in that regard. We currently host many evening activities of all kinds on the campus. Any traffic generated by games played on the field after dark, typically soccer and lacrosse, are just not major generators of traffic. We expect that additional vehicle traffic will be absorbed as an undistinguishable part of the overall campus evening activity. Parking will be easily accommodated on campus.

I would be happy to discuss this with you in more detail, or answer any additional questions or concerns, either by telephone or by a meeting on campus at your convenience. Indeed, I believe a meeting with you and the other immediate neighbors who may share your concerns would be a very good idea. Please contact me directly at 860-231-5220. I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind Regards.

Shawn M. Harrington

Senior Vice President for Finance and Strategy University of Saint Joseph 1678 Asylum Avenue West Hartford, CT 06117

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From: Allen Rost <4rosts@gmail.com> Sent: Tuesday, March 12, 2019 7:26 PM

**To:** Harrington, Shawn <sharrington@usj.edu> **Subject:** USJ Expanded Athletic Facilities

Dear Mr. Harrington,

I appreciate you reaching out to our community with respects to the University of Saint Joseph's plans to expand your athletic facilities. I am writing to you at this time because we happen to be one of your closest neighbors and have some reservations about your upcoming plans. While the overall footprint is not expanding my neighbors and I share a few concerns.

Our largest concern is that we've seen the atmosphere at USJ really change beginning last summer. The noise level has gone from just laughter and air whistles on Saturday afternoons, to music cranked so loud that I can hear it in every room in my house. With your light stands doubling in size, it only means that you're preparing to host many more night time activities. I'm very concerned about the noise and traffic in my backyard. Right now we have nothing separating you from us, but a handful of our own trees.

I certainly want USJ to be successful, it is good for everyone, but having Friday night lights in my backyard is concerning. I'm hoping you can share your plans with us before your public proposal on April 1st.

Sincerely,

Allen Rost 24 Wilthsire Ln West Hartford